



Background for WSCUC Visit October 8-10, 2025

Our theme, Flagship of the Central Valley!

For our reaccreditation self-study, we explored the role of Fresno State as an institution that reshapes every facet of our region through transformative education, research, service, and leadership. Here's how the theme was selected.

- Fresno State's regional accrediting agency is WSCUC, the WASC Senior College and University Commission.
- WSCUC approved us for the Thematic Pathways for Reaffirmation (TPR) process, a streamlined process available to high-performing institutions.
- Our reaccreditation planning committee suggested two themes based on our strategic plan and WSCUC standards. After gathering feedback from eleven groups of stakeholders, the Flagship of the Central Valley theme was selected.

- The self-study was carried out by 77 members of the campus community. Six working groups analyzed social mobility, high-impact practices, alumni career satisfaction, economic impact, impact of Fresno State research and service, and graduates in the regional workforce



Self-Study Highlights

The full self-study is available at **Fresno State Self-Study**.

Here are some key findings:

Bulldog Bound, Fresno State's guaranteed admissions program, has **over 15,000 high school students enrolled**.

The overall economic impact of Fresno State on the region is **\$954 million**.



In AY 2023-24, 21,774 students, faculty, and staff contributed **over 1.4 million hours of service**.



Fresno State is home to **nearly 50 research centers and institutes** that address key issues facing the valley.



Graduates from 98% of majors

studied recouped their higher education costs in less than two years post-graduation.



Most students

reported that the high-impact practices they participated in were helpful or very helpful for career preparation.



Surveys of Fresno State Community partners found that **96.3% believed** their collaboration with Fresno State was impactful on their mission.



Please attend an Open Forum and share your perspective!

Wednesday October 8, 2025

» **Faculty:** 1:00–1:45 p.m.

Library, Peters Ellipse Gallery (2nd floor)

» **Staff:** 2:45–3:30 p.m.

Library, Room 2206

» **Students:** 3:30–4:15 p.m.

Library, Peters Ellipse Gallery (2nd floor)

» **Alumni:** 4:30–5:15 p.m.

Library, Room 2134 (2nd floor) Hybrid Session

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